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That we made and conceived the invention described and claimed in patent application Serial Number 10/718,767 filed in the United States of America on 11/21/2003, entitled "White Position Taillight for Aircraft".

That we made and conceived this invention while employed by Whelen Engineering Company, Inc. That the invention is related to the work we are employed to perform and was made within the scope of our employment duties. That the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of Whelen Engineering Company, Inc.

That to the best of our knowledge and belief:

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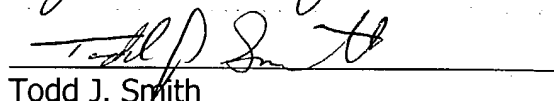
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